FISCAL YEAR 2009
July 2008 – June 2009
CENTRAL COMMAND

# **SAFESTAT REPORT**



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## CENTRAL COMMAND

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# Overview

During Fiscal year 2009, the Central Command experienced a 4.5% increase in the number of crashes investigated with 43 more crashes. The increases occurred in property and injury crash categories. There was a 9.7% drop in the number of fatal crashes and in the number of persons killed was seven less, at 31, when compared to FY2008. The percentage of persons killed not wearing seat belts, 63%, is up from the 40.5% in FY 08.

The number of impaired drivers involved in crashes was eight less during FY 09 than in FY 08. The average BAC for these drivers, .204, remained the same when compared to FY 08.

There were 30 less crashes involving commercial vehicles in FY 09 as compared to FY 08. Of the 169 crashes, 93 were at the fault of the commercial vehicle driver, 54.7%. This is down from the 61.8% at fault in FY 08. Interstate crashes accounted for 59.2% of the total crashes. Secondary highway crashes accounted for the remaining 40.8% of the crashes involving commercial motor vehicles.

The overall enforcement activity for Central Command increased by 8.9%. There were increases in all categories with the exception of DUI arrests from crashes, which is a positive and in hazardous moving violations.

The number of persons arrested for driving impaired prior to a crash greatly increased by 58.5% with 455 arrests made. The average BAC for these drivers decreased from .161 in FY 08 to .157 in FY 09.

Commercial personnel conducted 29.1% more inspections of commercial vehicles and their drivers. This led to increases in the number of violations discovered, safety citations issued and drivers and vehicles placed "out of service." Traffic operations personnel conducted 3,673 inspections for a 26.6% increase.

Support services personnel also experienced increases during the fiscal year with the exception of CAD incidents, telephone calls, incident reports processed, warrants validated and the evidence vaults. During FY 09, the evidence vaults were placed under the control of Headquarters and vault stats are no longer reported on by the commands.

We would like to thank the personnel on the Central Command for their hard work and diligence during the past fiscal year in making the highways safer for the traveling motorist.

#### CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

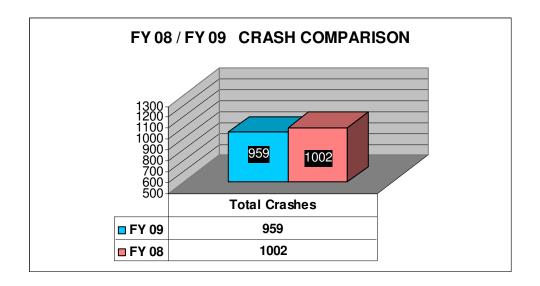
	Fiscal year 09		Fiscal year 08	% Change	
Total Crashes	1002		959	4.5%	
Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	699		665	5.1%	
Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	275	L	263	4.6%	
Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	28		31	-9.7%	
DUI Crashes [DUI charged]	32		40	-20.0%	
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	31		38	-18.4%	
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	11	L	8	37.5%	
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	6		7	-14.3%	
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	6	L	12	-50.0%	
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	4		10	-60.0%	
Total persons killed seatbelts not applicable	4		1	300.0%	
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	169		199	-15.1%	
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	128	L	156	-17.9%	
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	37		40	-7.5%	
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	4		3	33.3%	

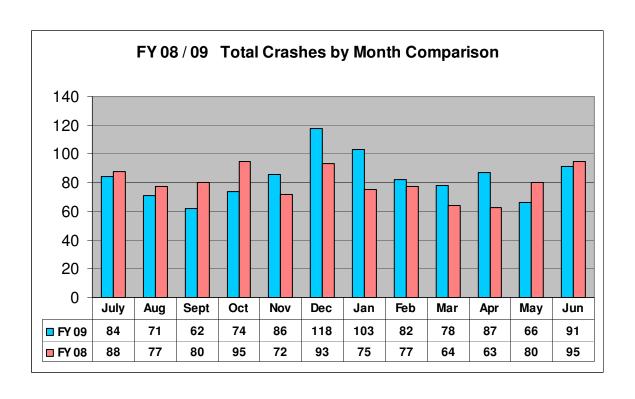
	FY 09	FY 08
Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes	2.8%	3.2%
Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes	3.2%	4.2%
Percentage of persons killed without seatbelts to total persons killed	63.0%	40.5%
Percentage of commercial vehicle crashes to total crashes	16.9%	20.8%

#### **NARRATIVE ANALYSIS**

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

- > Total traffic crashes in the Command increased by 4.5% during FY 09. The increases occurred in property crashes, 5.1% and injury crashes, 4.6%. There was a 9.7% drop in the number of fatal crashes.
- There were 28 fatal crashes during FY 09 killing 38 persons. Of the 31 persons killed, 17 drivers and passengers or 60.7% were not wearing seat belts. The 60.7% is up from the 39.4% in FY 08.
- > Crashes involving impaired drivers decreased by eight as compared to FY 08. The average BAC for impaired drivers involved in crashes was .204. This is same as experienced in FY 08.
- The number of commercial vehicles involved in crashes decreased by 30 during FY 09. Of the 169 crashes, 93 or 54.7% were the fault of the commercial vehicle driver. 59.2% of the crashes occurred on Interstate 80 while the remaining 40.8% occurred on secondary roadways.





## FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

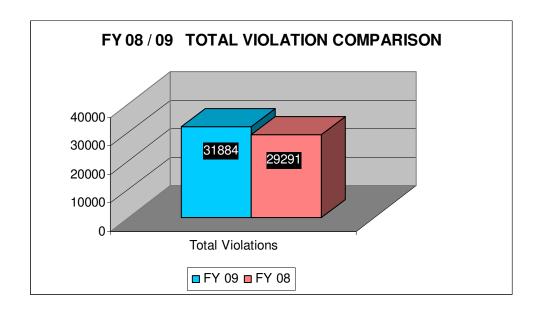
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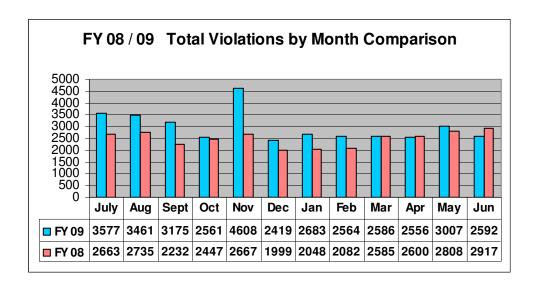
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	Fiscal year 09		Fiscal year 08	% Change			
DUI arrests from crashes	32	-	40	-20.0%			
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	455		287	58.5%			
Other Arrests	1743		1440	21.0%			
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	1007	-	866	16.3%			
Speed violations	17592		16585	6.1%			
Hazardous moving violations	1708		1789	-4.5%			
Occupant restraint violations *	2855	-	2273	25.6%			
Total violations [above violations included]	31884		29291	8.9%			
Commercial Enforcement							
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	504	-	378	33.3%			
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	456		291	56.7%			
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3. 4. & 6]	7942		6152	29.1%			
Terminal inspections [level 5]	33	-	0	3300.0%			
Total safety violations citation	1334		1216	9.7%			
Total safety violations repair order	10031		8764	14.5%			
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	479	-	345	38.8%			
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	260		255	2.0%			
Total school buses inspected	298		298	0.0%			
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	26	-	48	-45.8%			
Total trucks weighed	8173		6188	32.1%			
Total overweight citations	102		140	-27.1%			
Total dyed fuel inspections	7370	_	5956	23.7%			
Total dyed fuel citations	1		0	100.0%			

### **NARRATIVE ANALYSIS**

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- > Total enforcement activity increased by 8.9% in FY 09 as compared to FY 08.
- There were increases in every field enforcement activity category except for DUI arrests from crashes, down 20% and hazardous moving violations, down 4.5%.
- > The number of impaired drivers arrested saw a huge increase of 58.5%, or 168 arrests. The number of impaired drivers involved in a crash increased by eight.





- > Commercial operations personnel conducted 9.7% more inspections of commercial vehicles and their drivers. This led to corresponding increases in the number of violations discovered, safety citations issued, and drivers and vehicles placed "out of service."
- The number of school buses inspected remained the same at 298. The percentage of buses having "out of service" violations was down by 45.8%.
- ▶ The number of vehicles weighed greatly increased by 32.1% or 1,985 with 102 overweight citations being issued. Of the 8173 vehicles weighed, 2,135 or 26.1% were weighed on secondary roadways during 2,608.3 hours of directed enforcement.
- ▶ 23.7% more dyed fuel inspections were conducted in FY 09 than in FY 08. Of the 7,370 dyed fuel inspections, 2,020 or 37.7% were conducted on secondary roadways during 1,254.4 hours of directed enforcement.

	Commercial Activity [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]							
	Level 2/3 Inspections	Safety Violations Citation	Safety Violations Repair Order	Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	Vehicles Placed "Out of Service"	Dyed Fuel Inspections	Dyed Fuel Citations	
	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	
Fiscal year 09	3673	1080	3166	180	98	3058	3	
Fiscal year 08	2902	1173	2988	207	84	2356	6	
% Change	26.6%	-7.9%	6.0%	-13.0%	16.7%	29.8%	-50.0%	

> Traffic operations personnel conducted 26.6% more Level 2 and 3 inspections of commercial vehicles and their drivers. During the 3,673 inspections there were 3,166 violations discovered leading to 1,080 safety citations being issued. During the inspections, 180 drivers were placed "out of service." Also during FY 09 there were 98 vehicles placed "out of service."

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	Fiscal year 09		Fiscal Year 08	% Change	
COMMUNICATION CENTER					
Radio Transmissions	790,747		722,240	9.5%	
CAD incidents	90,940	L	99,880	-9.0%	
Telephone Calls	93,452		104,911	-10.9%	
FRONT OFFICE					
Accident Reports Processed	1009		975	3.5%	
Arrest Reports Processed	871		696	25.1%	
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	102		115	-11.3%	
COURT / WARRANT					
Warrants Received	2702		2066	30.8%	
Warrants Entered	2612		2032	28.5%	
Warrants Cleared	2410	L	2293	5.1%	
Warrants Validated	9,722		21,101	-53.9%	
Extradition / Transports	53		53	0.0%	
EVIDENCE					
New Cases Submitted	182		340	-46.5%	
New Items Submitted	506		1571	-67.8%	
Items Disposed	492		1224	-59.8%	

CONTRACT SERVICES	Number	Hours			\$\$\$\$\$		
Contracts FY09	68	3849.07	01 000/	_	312,578	-10.71%	
Contracts FY08	99	4955.06	-21.32%		350,052	-10.71/6	

#### NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

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- ▶ The Communications Center had an increase in radio traffic of 9.5%. The number of CAD incidents decreased by 9%. Telephone calls decreased by 10.9%. There were no operational call boxes in Central Command during FY 09.
- ▶ The Front Office processed 3.5% more accident reports. The arrest reports processed showed a 25.1% increase from FY 08. Officer reports were down by 11.3% as compared to FY 08.
- The Court / Warrant Section had increases from 5% to 30.8% in every category except for warrants validated, which declined 53.9%
- The evidence vaults showed declines in every category from 46.5% to 67.8%. The vaults were placed under the supervision of Headquaters during FY 09. Evidence vault stats are no longer reported on by the commands.
- ➤ The Command performed 31 fewer contracts in FY 09. There was a decrease of 21.3% in the number of hours associated with these contracts. There was a 10.7% dcrease in the revenue for the contracts as compared to FY 08.